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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT				
	NORTHERN DIS	TRICT OF CALIFORNIA			
10	SAN FRAN	NCISCO DIVISION			
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12	EBAY INC., a Delaware corporation,	Case No. CV-13-02853-SC			
13	Plaintiff,	PLAINTIFF EBAY INC.'S ANSWER TO			
14	V.	DEFENDANTS' COUNTERCLAIM FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF			
15	DOTCOM RETAIL LIMITED, a United	Trial Date: None Set			
16	Kingdom company; BEAUTYBAY.COM LIMITED, a United Kingdom company,	Jury Trial Requested			
17	Defendants.				
18	DOTCOM RETAIL LIMITED, a United				
19	Kingdom company; BEAUTYBAY.COM LIMITED, a United Kingdom company,				
20	Counterclaimants,				
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22	EBAY INC., a Delaware corporation,				
23	Counterdefendant.				
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26	Plaintiff eBay Inc. ("eBay") answers the Counterclaim of Defendants Dotcom Retail Limited ("Dotcom") and BeautyBay.com Limited ("BeautyBay") (collectively, "Defendants") as				
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28	follows:				
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- 1. As to paragraph 1 of Defendants' Counterclaim, this is a legal contention that requires no response.
- 2. As to paragraph 2 of Defendants' Counterclaim, this is a legal contention that requires no response.
- 3. As to paragraph 3 of Defendants' Counterclaim, this is a legal contention that requires no response.
- 4. As to paragraph 4 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay denies the allegations in paragraph 4.
- 5. As to paragraph 5 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that Defendants maintain and operate an e-commerce website at www.beautybay.com focused on skin-care and beauty products and that Defendants have been using the marks BEAUTYBAY and BEAUTY BAY (hereinafter the "BEAUTYBAY Marks") in conjunction with the above-mentioned business. eBay is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in paragraph 5, and on that basis denies them.
- 6. As to paragraph 6 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that it is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in San Jose, California. eBay further admits that it provides an online marketplace for buyers and sellers to buy, sell, bid on, and/or trade goods and services, and also provides online platforms, tools, and services to help individuals and small, medium, and large merchants around the globe engage in online and mobile commerce. eBay additionally admits that it offers merchants and individuals the ability to choose to list their products and services online either through fixed price listings or an auction-style format. eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 6.
- 7. As to paragraph 7 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that Defendants previously operated an e-commerce website at www.fragrancebay.com called FragranceBay, together with the related company FragranceBay.com Ltd. eBay further admits that Defendants maintain and operate an e-commerce website at www.beautybay.com focused on skin-care and beauty products and that Defendants have been using the BEAUTYBAY Marks in conjunction with the above-mentioned business. eBay is without sufficient knowledge or information to form

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a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in paragraph 7, and on that basis denies them.

- 8. As to paragraph 8 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that Defendants maintain and operate an e-commerce website at www.beautybay.com focused on skin-care and beauty products, and that Defendants have been using the BEAUTYBAY Marks in conjunction with the above-mentioned business. eBay is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in paragraph 8, and on that basis denies them.
- 9. As to paragraph 9 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in paragraph 9, and on that basis denies them.
- 10. As to paragraph 10 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in paragraph 10, and on that basis denies them.
- 11. As to paragraph 11 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in paragraph 11, and on that basis denies them.
- 12. As to paragraph 12 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that Defendants advertise and draw customers to their beautybay.com website through the use of popular search engines and social media platforms, such as Google and Facebook. eBay is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in paragraph 12, and on that basis denies them.
- 13. As to paragraph 13 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that Defendants advertise and draw customers to their beautybay.com website through the use of popular search engines and social media platforms, such as Google and Facebook. eBay is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in paragraph 13, and on that basis denies them.
- 14. As to paragraph 14 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that Defendants advertise and draw customers to their beautybay.com website through the use of popular search engines and social media platforms, such as Google and Facebook. eBay is without sufficient

media platforms, such as Google and Facebook. eBay is without sufficient knowledge or

Fragrancebay.com Limited applied to register the BEAUTYBAY Marks with the United

Dotcom applied to register the mark BEAUTY BAY with the United States Patent and

Trademark Office in October 2009. eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 24.

products are available on its website, including electronics, collectibles and art, home and garden

products, sporting goods, clothing, books, real estate, health and beauty products, and musical

instruments. eBay admits that it provides an online marketplace for buyers and sellers to buy,

services to help individuals and small, medium, and large merchants around the globe engage in

ability to choose to list their products and services online either through fixed price listings or an

online and mobile commerce. eBay further admits that it offers merchants and individuals the

auction-style format. eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 25.

sell, bid on, and/or trade goods and services, and also provides online platforms, tools, and

remaining allegations in paragraph 23, and on that basis denies them.

information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in paragraph 22, and on

As to paragraph 23 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that

Kingdom Intellectual Property Office in December 2006 and the Marks were registered in August

2007. eBay is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the

As to paragraph 24 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that Defendant

As to paragraph 25 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that a variety of

that basis denies them.

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paragraph 26. As to paragraph 27 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that it announced a

As to paragraph 26 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay denies the allegations in

27. "click and collect" service in September 2013 that will allow purchasers to pick up items purchased through eBay at physical outlets in the United Kingdom. eBay further admits that it provides an online marketplace for buyers and sellers to buy, sell, bid on, and/or trade goods and

services, and also provides online platforms, tools, and services to help individuals and small,

medium, and large merchants around the globe engage in online and mobile commerce. eBay

further admits that it offers merchants and individuals the ability to choose to list their products and services online either through fixed price listings or an auction-style format. eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 27.

- 28. As to paragraph 28 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that an eBay account associated with the user ID "fragbay" was active from 2002 to 2005. eBay admits that an eBay account with the user ID "beautybaycom" became active in 2005. eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 28.
- 29. As to paragraph 29 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that it sent an email in 2003 to fragrancebay.org's domain registrar stating among other things that the domain name fragrancebay.org "may infringe and/or dilute the famous eBay trademark." eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 29.
- 30. As to paragraph 30 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that it sent an email on or about October 21, 2004 regarding fragrancebay.com. eBay lacks information to admit or deny the remaining allegations in paragraph 30, and therefore denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 30.
- 31. As to paragraph 31 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that in December 2010 it timely filed a Notice of Opposition with the USPTO objecting to Defendant Dotcom's attempt to register the BEAUTY BAY mark. eBay further admits that, in its Opposition, it maintains that Dotcom's application for the BEAUTY BAY mark should be denied due to likelihood of confusion with, and dilution of, the famous eBay trademark. eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 31.
- 32. As to paragraph 32 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that no resolution has been reached with Defendants concerning their wrongful use of the BEAUTYBAY name and BEAUTYBAY Marks. eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 32.
- 33. As to paragraph 33 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that in August 2012 eBay filed an application to invalidate Defendants' registration of the BEAUTYBAY Marks in the United Kingdom. eBay further admits that it filed the Complaint in this action on June 20, 2013. eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 33.

1	34.	As to paragraph 34 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that no resolution			
2	has been reac	hed with Defendants concerning their wrongful use of the BEAUTYBAY name and			
3	BEAUTYBA	Y Marks. eBay further admits that, in its Complaint herein, eBay seeks among			
4	other things an order and judgment requiring that Defendants be enjoined and restrained from				
5	using the infringing and dilutive BEAUTYBAY name and BEAUTYBAY Marks. eBay denies				
6	the remaining allegations in paragraph 34.				
7	35.	As to paragraph 35 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay denies the allegations in			
8	paragraph 35.				
9	36.	As to paragraph 36 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits that it sent emails			
10	regarding the domain names frangrancebay.org and fragrancebay.com in 2003 and 2004,				
11	respectively.	eBay denies the remaining allegations in paragraph 36.			
12	37.	As to paragraph 37 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay denies the allegations in			
13	paragraph 37.				
14	38.	As to paragraph 38 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay denies the allegations in			
15	paragraph 38.				
16	39.	There is no paragraph 39 in Defendants' Counterclaim.			
17	40.	As to paragraph 40 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay denies the allegations in			
18	paragraph 40.				
19	41.	eBay realleges and incorporates paragraphs 1 through 40 above as if fully set forth			
20	herein.				
21	42.	As to paragraph 42 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay admits the allegations in			
22	paragraph 42.				
23	43.	As to paragraph 43 of Defendants' Counterclaim, eBay denies the allegations in			
24	paragraph 43.				
25	44.	As to Defendants' Prayer for Relief in connection with their Counterclaim, eBay			
26	denies that Defendants are entitled to any of the relief they seek or any relief at all.				
27	WHEREFORE, eBay prays as follows:				
28	1.	That Defendants take nothing by reason of their Counterclaim, and that judgment			

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1	be rendered i	rendered in favor of Plaintiff eBay;				
2	2.	That eBay be awarded costs of suit, including its reasonable attorneys' fees; and				
3	3.	For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.				
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1	REQUEST FOR JURY TRIAL					
2	eBay hereby demands a trial by a jury on all issues so triable.					
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4	Dated: October 30, 2013 HO	GAN LOVELLS US LLP				
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6	By:	/s/ Jennifer M. Lantz				
7		Jennifer M. Lantz				
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